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FROM AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ZAMBIAN VIEWS ON NAMIBIA AND RHODESIA

REF: LUSAKA 1446

1. MARK CHONA, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT KUANDA, AT LUNCH MAY 23 PRESSED THESIS WITH ASST. SEC. MAYNES THAT VORSTER WOULD PREVENT ANY SETTLEMENT OF RHODESIA THAT COULD NOT BE TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH A SETTLEMENT OF NAMIBIA.

2. ACCORDING TO CHONA, THE FOLLOWING PIECES FIT:

(A) THE ZAMBIANS HAVE A REPORT THEY DEEM RELIABLE WHICH THEY PASSED ON TO THE PRESS DURING THE YOUNG VISIT THAT SMITH THREE TIMES HAS OFFERED TO RESIGN AND THREE TIMES
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VORSTER HAS PREVENTED THIS; (B) THE SOUTH AFRICAN DEADLINE FOR MAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE IS DEC 31, 1978; (C) THE BRITISH ARE NOW TALKING TO THE ZAMBIANS ABOUT DEC 31, 1978 AS THE DATE FOR RHODESIAN INDEPENDENCE, A DATE THQ ZAMBIANS THINK THE SOUTH AFRICANS SELECTED; (D) IT WOULD BE IN SOUTH AFRICAN INTERESTS TO PREVENT RHODESIA FROM BEING SETTLED BEFORE NAMIBIA BECAUSE IN THE EVENT OF A RHODESIA

SETTLEMENT, INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION WOULD TURN EXCLUSIVELY
ON NAMIBIA, THEREBY UNDERMINING SOUTH AFRICAN LEVERAGE IN
THE NEGOTIATIONS.

3. CHONA URGED THAT WE EXAMINE SOUTH AFRICAN TACTICS
AGAINST THIS THESIS. HE STRESSED THAT NOT MUCH TIME
REMAINED AND THAT WE COULD NOT WAIT UNTIL DEC. 1978.
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